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906.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

It is the policy of the Shasta County Jail (SCJ) not to discriminate against any person protected by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the provision of services, programs and activities (including the Alternative Custody Program). Persons protected by the ADA shall not be subjected to discrimination. For example, inmates with disabilities shall not be assigned to inappropriate security classifications because no accessible cells or beds are available; shall not be assigned in designated medical areas unless they are actually receiving medical care; and shall not be placed in other correctional facilities that do not offer programs comparable to those provided at SCJ.

To this end, the Sheriff has established new positions, new tracking systems, new inmate information programs as well as modified policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the Final Settlement Agreement in Jewett et al. v. Shasta County Sheriff's Office et al. (Final Settlement Agreement). These changes acknowledge the high priority of inmate health and recognize that qualified inmates require adaptive devices to assist them with daily living activities on a temporary or permanent basis.

906.2 ADA COORINATORS

ADA Coordinators provide managerial oversight over SCJ programs to ensure compliance with the Final Settlement Agreement. The ADA Coordinators have sufficient command authority to affect implementation and modification of policies, procedures and practices as warranted, and represent the SCJ on mobility-disability related issues. The ADA Coordinators are also responsible for coordinating efforts to comply with and carry out responsibilities for compliance with the Final Settlement Agreement, including but not limited to: investigations of complaints, grievances, and requests; ADA related training; ADA related maintenance and work requests, tracking and overseeing issuance of reasonable accommodations and monitor the mobility-disability tracking system, etc.

If staff have questions or concerns about ADA related services, policies, procedures, or practices within SCJ, the first level of inquiry should be to contact the ADA Coordinators.

906.3 MOBILITY-DISABILITY TRACKING.

SCJ has implemented a mobility-disabled inmate tracking system. The system identifies inmate with mobility-disabilities, housing, program/education/work assignments, physical limitations, and other reasonable accommodation needs, etc.

906.4 ADA MOBILITY IMPAIRED GRIEVANCE TRACKING.

SCJ has established a new grievance system for mobility impaired inmates. SCJ has also established a mobility-disabled grievance tracking system.

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906.5 ADA BILL OF RIGHTS LEAFLET

SCJ has established an ADA Bill of Rights Leaflet to be posted in locations throughout the Jail as set forth in the Final Settlement Agreement.

906.6 POLICY AND PROCEDURE MODIFICATIONS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The SCJ has modified a number of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the Final Settlement Agreement. After these modifications are approved by counsel for the parties, they will be implemented through a detailed training program. All staff are responsible for understanding and implementing these important changes. A list of modified policies is set forth below.

Policy 216: Maintenance Engineering.

Policy 305: Courtroom Security.

Policy 308: Leg Restraints.

Policy 309: Restraint Chair.

Policy 315.: Contraband and Searches.

Policy 407.1: Inmate Relocation/Evacuation.

Policy 501: Inmate Booking.

Policy 503: Safety and Sobering Cell.

Policy 505: Inmate Counts.

Policy 506: Releases.

Policy 508: Housing Unit Operations.

Policy 509: Inmate Orientation Manual.

Policy 600: Inmate Classification, Time Cuts, and Housing.

Policy 700: Recognized Rights.

Policy 703: Clothing and Linen.

Policy 705: Grievances.

Policy 800: Alternative Sentencing Program.

Policy 802: Inmate Recreation.

Policy 803: Entertainment Services.

Policy 804: Inmate Programs and Services.

Policy 808: Inmate Visitation.

Policy 900: Medical.

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Policy 902: Medical Screening.

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